Mr. K. SHAMA IYER.—Will it be possible for the Government to mention the articles for which there is a large demand in the market and the extent of sales of such articles?

Mr. C. E. NORONHA.—Notice.

Mr. K. SHAMA IYER.—Is there any idea of appointing salesmen in different places for selling the articles manufactured in the State?

Mr. C. E. NORONHA.—Yes. In Bombay, Secunderabad and Madras, there are show rooms and in other places there are agents.

Mr. B. SITHARAMIAH.—Is it not possible to find a market for the mats woven in Hiriyur? The industry is practically becoming extinct for want of demand.

Mr. C. E. NORONHA.—The question will be considered.

Mr. T. L. GANGOJI RAO SALANKEY.—Are the Government aware that the sericultural industry in the State is passing through critical days and sorely needs help?

Mr. C. E. NORONHA.—Yes, and they are doing everything necessary to help it.

Mr. J. ASWATHANARAYANA RAO.—Are any arrangements made to see that the articles made in the industrial school at Gudibanda find a sale and that the raw materials locally available are given preference to raw materials from outside places?

Mr. C. E. NORONHA.—The matter will be enquired into.

Viswakarmas engaged in Industries.

Q.—72. Yajaman N. Y. VEERABHADRACHARYA (Minorities).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they are aware that the members of the Viswakarma community belong to an industrial class;

(*b*) what industries have been provided to these people;

(*c*) the number of these people who are engaged in each of these industries;

(*d*) the remuneration they are getting;

(*e*) the number of Viswakarmas that occupy the industrial group;

(*f*) the total amount that the people of this community are receiving?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. C. E. Noronha).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Help in the shape of technical advice and loans, whenever applied for, are given in suitable cases to carry on their metal industries.

(*c*), (*d*), (*e*) and (*f*) Information not available.

Mr. N. Y. VEERABHADRACHARYA.—Are the Government aware that the Viswakarmas are engaged on certain industries other than the metal industry, and if so, what facilities and encouragement are given to them for improving their economic position?

Mr. C. E. NORONHA.—Notice.

Particulars of Muslim Employees in Industrial Concerns.

Q.—75. Messrs. MIRZA M. AZIZULLA BEIG and M. A. JABBAR (Minorities).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of employees in each of the following grades:—

(i) salaries of Rs. 250 and above per mensem;

(ii) salaries between Rs. 100 and Rs. 250;

(iii) salaries between Rs. 25 and Rs. 100;

that are employed in the following Government concerns:—

(1) the Government Soap Factory;

(2) the Government Electric Factory;

(3) the Government Porcelain Factory;

(*b*) the number of Muslims employed in the abovementioned various industrial concerns and in the respective grades mentioned above?